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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Todd Allen Berg et al.

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For : MEDICAL GRAFT CONNECTOR OR PLUG
STRUCTURES, AND METHODS OF MAKING AND
INSTALLING SAME

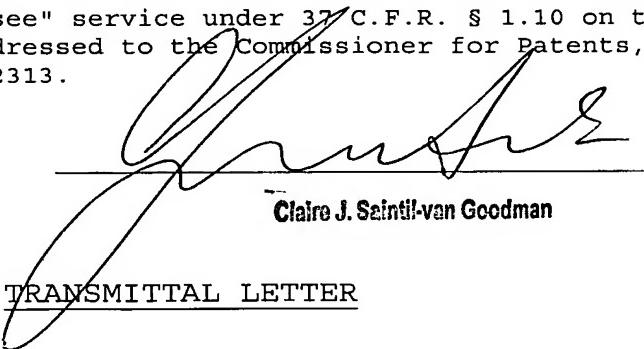
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

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to be filed in the above identified patent application.

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[X] A fee for additional claims is not required.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	-	20*	=	X \$ 18 = \$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	-	3**	=	X \$ 88 = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+ \$ 300	= \$

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